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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

TRANSMITTAL Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filling a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1.	1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114			
ı	a.	×	Previously submitted	
		i.	Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on August 24, 2006. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).	
		ii.	Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on	
		iii.	Other	
	b.		Enclosed	
ł		i.	Preliminary Amendment/Reply iv. Submission of Formal Drawings	
		ii.	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) v. Petition for Second One-Month Extension of Time	
		iií.	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)	
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	A.		Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(e) for a period of	
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	b.	<u> </u>	Other	
3.	F	ocs	The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filled.	
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		i.	RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(c) \$790.00	
ł		ii.	Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) \$330.00	
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